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many cases of yellow fever in Orizaba, but the present epidemic appears to be the largest that has yet occurred in that town. It is probable that the disease was brought from Vera Cruz, or infected stegomyia carried up in the trains. If the stegomyia can live and increase at the altitude of 4,000 feet, it is not unreasonable to suppose that they will thrive in the altitude of the City of Mexico.

Respectfully,

S. H. HODGSON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*Manila free from smallpox and plague.*

MANILA, P. I., *July 24, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that Manila remains free from smallpox and plague, no cases having occurred since my report of June 24, 1902.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon,*  
*Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

PORTO RICO.

*Reports from Ponce.*

PONCE, P. R., *August 30, 1902.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer of Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended August 30, 1902. Also, the report of the inspection of immigrants for the month of August, 1902. No vessel was inspected during the week; three bills of health were issued. No quarantinable disease has been reported present in this city or district.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,  
*Assistant Surgeon.*

*Inspection of immigrants at San Juan for the week ended August 30, 1902.*

SAN JUAN, P. R., *August 30, 1902.*

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended August 30, 1902.

Date.	Vessel.	Where from.	No. of immigrants
Aug. 27	Steamship Philadelphia .....	La Guaira and Curaçao.....	7
Aug. 28	Steamship Maria Herrera.....	Havana, Santiago de Cuba, and Puerto Plata.	44
Do....	Steamship Buenos Aires.....	Cadiz, Malaga, Barcelona, Santa Cruz, and Las Palmas.	32
Aug. 29	Steamship Buenos Aires.....	Barcelona and Cadiz.....	5
	Total .....	.....	88

Respectfully,

FRED V. MARTIN,  
*Commissioner.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.